GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH ABSTRACT

Public Services – PR&RD – Allegations of irregularities in drilling of bore wells in Khammam District - Sri B. Lakshmana Rao, the then Deputy Executive Engineer, RWS&S, Khammam District – Disciplinary proceedings under Rule 20 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification, Control & Appeal) Rules, 1991 – Article of charges – Issued.

PANCHAYAT RAJ & RURAL DEVELOPMENT (VIG.IA) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No. 1494 .

Dated:24.09.2013

ORDER:

It is proposed to hold an enquiry against Sri B. Lakshmana Rao, the then Deputy Executive Engineer, RWS&S, Khammam District, in accordance with the procedure laid down in Rule 20 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification, Control & Appeal) Rules, 1991.

- 2. The substance of the imputations of misconduct or misbehavior in respect of which the enquiry is proposed to be held is set out in the enclosed statement of article of charges (Annexure-I). A list of documents by which and a list of witnesses by whom, the article of charges are proposed to be sustained are also enclosed (Annexure-II and III).
- 3. Sri B. Lakshmana Rao, the then Deputy Executive Engineer, RWS&S, Khammam District, is directed to submit within ten (10) days of the receipt of this order, a written statement of his defence.
- 4. Sri B. Lakshmana Rao, the then Deputy Executive Engineer, RWS&S, Khammam District, is informed that an enquiry will be held only in respect of article of those charges as are not admitted. He should, therefore, specifically admit or deny article of charge.
- 5. Sri B. Lakshmana Rao, the then Deputy Executive Engineer, RWS&S, Khammam District, is further informed that if he does not submit his written statement of defence on or before the period specified in Para 3 above or otherwise fails or refuses to comply with the provisions of Rule 20 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification, Control & Appeal) Rules, 1991 or the orders / directions issued in pursuance of the said rules, the Inquiring Authority may hold the inquiry against him ex-parte.
- 6. Sri B. Lakshmana Rao, the then Deputy Executive Engineer, RWS&S, Khammam District is invited to Rule 24 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964, under which no Government Servant shall bring or attempt to bring any political or outside influence to bear upon any superior authority to further his interest in respect of matters pertaining to his service under the Government. If any representation is received on his behalf from another person in respect of any matter dealt within these proceedings, it will be presumed that Sri B. Lakshmana Rao, the then Deputy Executive Engineer, RWS&S, Khammam District, is aware of such a representation and that it has been made at his instance and action will be taken against him for violation of Rule-24 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964.
- 7. The receipt of this G.O. shall be acknowledged.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

VIKAS RAJ SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT (RWS&S)

To

Sri B. Lakshmana Rao, the then Deputy Executive Engineer, RWS&S, Khammam District through the Engineer-in-Chief, RWS&S, Hyderabad.

The Engineer-in-Chief, RWS&S, Hyderabad. (in duplicate with a request to serve and return the dated acknowledgement copy)

Copy to:
The PR&RD (Estt.III) Department.
SF/SC

//FORWARDED BY ORDER//

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ANNEXURE-I

(Annexure to G.O.Rt.No. 1494 PR&RD (Vig.IA) Dept., dt.24.09.2013)

STATEMENT OF ARTICLE OF CHARGES AGAINST SRI B. LAKSHMANA RAO, THE THEN DEPUTY EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, RWS&S, KHAMMAM DISTRICT

CHARGE-I:

That Sri B. Lakshmana Rao, the then Deputy Executive Engineer, RWS&S, Khammam District has neglected his duties by check measuring and allowing excess bore depths, excess casing and under gauge casing in Bore Wells.

Basis:

As per Lr. No.AEE1/DEEIII/01/BWs drilling dt.14.05.2013, the CE, Vig & QC reported that as per rules were excess casing pipes were utilized and excess depths were executed against the site plans issued by the Geologist, they may be required as per site/field conditions, the concerned field engineers should have got approval of the same from the Geologist concerned soon after drilling. But Sri B. Lakshmana Rao, Deputy Executive Engineer was not to do so being sub-divisional head and he has to observe while check measuring the bore depths and casing of pipes. Thus, he failed to follow the rules in vogue. From this, it is evident that he has shown gross negligence towards his legitimate duties and failed in supervision and violated Rule (3) of A.P.C.S (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

Hence, the charge.

CHARGE-II:

That Sri B. Lakshmana Rao, Deputy Executive Engineer has recommended payment though the platforms were not constructed as per UNICEF type design. Thus, he derelicted his duties.

Basis:

As per Lr. No.AEE1/DEEIII/01/BWs drilling dt.14.05.2013, the CE, Vig & QC reported that Sri B. Lakshmana Rao, Dy.EE has recommended payments even though the construction of platforms were made with deviations from the UNICEF model. Thus, he failed in supervision during execution of work. From this, it is evident that he has shown gross negligence towards his legitimate duties and violated Rule (3) of A.P.C.S (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

Hence, the charge.

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ANNEXURE-II

(Annexure to G.O.Rt.No. 1494 , PR&RD (Vig.IA) Dept., dt.24.09.2013)

LIST OF DOCUMENTS BY WHICH THE ARTICLE OF CHARGES ARE PROPOSED TO BE SUSTAINED AGAINST SRI B. LAKSHMANA RAO, THE THEN DEPUTY EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, RWS&S, KHAMMAM DISTRICT

Lr.No.AEE1/DEEIII/01/BWs drilling dt.14.05.2013 of the Chief Engineer, Vig & QC, Hyderabad.

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ANNEXURE-III

(Annexure to G.O.Rt.No. 1494 , PR&RD (Vig.IA) Dept., dt.24.09.2013)

LIST OF WITNESSES BY WHOM THE ARTICLE OF CHARGES ARE PROPOSED TO BE SUSTAINED AGAINST SRI B. LAKSHMANA RAO, THE THEN DEPUTY EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, RWS&S, KHAMMAM DISTRICT.

- NIL -

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